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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**(Case No. 00-715-B)**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination please amend the application as shown below.